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9.04 "	Stopping
9.11 "	Non Stop
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9.30 a.m. to 11.00 p.m.	every 10 minutes
11.30 " to 12.40 "	15 "
12.40 "	Non Stop
12.47 "	Stopping
12.57 "	Non Stop
1.04 "	Stopping
1.13 "	Non Stop
1.20 "	Stopping
1.30 p.m. to 4.00 "	every 10 minutes
4.00 " to 4.30 "	15 "
4.30 " to 8.30 "	10 "
8.40 "	Non Stop
8.47 "	Stopping
8.57 "	Non Stop
9.04 "	Stopping
9.13 "	Non Stop
9.20 "	Stopping
9.30 "	Non Stop
9.37 "	Stopping
9.47 "	Non Stop
9.54 "	Stopping
10.03 "	Non Stop
8.10 "	Stopping

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1.00 p.m. to 2.30 "	15 "
2.30 " to 4.30 "	10 "
4.30 " to 6.30 "	15 "
6.30 " to 8.30 "	10 "
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8.57 "	Non Stop
9.04 "	Stopping
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	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon	6.41	7.10	8.35	9.15	10.28	12.00	1.18	4.54	5.27	7.09
Yau-mat	6.51	7.18	8.35	9.25	10.38	12.09	1.27	4.43	5.37	7.20
Shatin	7.03	7.30	8.55	9.35	10.50	12.21	1.39	4.55	5.50	7.32
Tai-po	7.17	7.44	9.05	9.45	11.03	12.34	1.52	5.08	6.03	7.45
Tai-po Market	7.29	7.56	9.15	9.55	11.13	12.44	1.64	5.20	6.15	7.57
Fanling	7.33	8.00	9.20	10.00	11.18	12.49	1.68	5.24	6.19	8.01
Shum Chun	7.38	8.05	9.25	10.05	11.23	12.54	1.73	5.29	6.24	8.06
Shum Chun	7.44	8.11	9.31	10.11	11.29	13.00	1.79	5.35	6.30	8.12
Shatankok	7.50	8.17	9.37	10.17	11.35	13.06	1.85	5.41	6.36	8.18
Canton	7.56	8.23	9.43	10.23	11.41	13.12	1.91	5.47	6.42	8.24

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Canton	7.56	8.23	9.43	10.23	11.41	13.12	1.91	5.47	6.42	8.24
Shatankok	8.02	8.29	9.49	10.29	11.47	13.18	1.97	5.53	6.48	8.30
Shum Chun	8.08	8.35	9.55	10.35	11.53	13.24	2.03	5.59	6.54	8.36
Shum Chun	8.14	8.41	10.01	10.41	12.00	13.30	2.09	6.05	7.00	8.42
Tai-po	8.20	8.47	10.07	10.47	12.06	13.36	2.15	6.11	7.06	8.48
Tai-po Market	8.26	8.53	10.13	10.53	12.12	13.42	2.21	6.17	7.12	8.54
Fanling	8.32	8.59	10.19	10.59	12.18	13.48	2.27	6.23	7.18	9.00
Shatin	8.38	9.05	10.25	11.05	12.24	13.54	2.33	6.29	7.24	9.06
Yau-mat	8.44	9.11	10.31	11.11	12.30	14.00	2.39	6.35	7.30	9.12
Kowloon	8.50	9.17	10.37	11.17	12.36	14.06	2.45	6.41	7.36	9.18

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"I visited parts of Canada. I was in Canada twenty-four years ago and I found most wonderful changes in that vast Dominion—the premier Dominion of the Crown. In one respect, however, there was no change of opinion. The people were as loyal to the Empire and to the Crown as they were twenty-four years ago, and I found that the loyalty of Canada and her sons and daughters to the flag is as intense, perhaps more intense, than it is in the old land. It is a source of pride and confidence in the future of the British Empire that you feel as it grows in wealth and power, as it grows in population, it is growing in attachment to this country and Empire and confidence in its destiny. (Cheers.)"

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"I had a few weeks in the United States of America. Here I passed from under the British flag to the Stars and Stripes. I never knew a frontier—there was nothing to mark it. If I passed frontiers in Europe there would have been armed men, cannons, and there would have been examinations—perhaps more searching examinations now and again. Here you have the most remarkable frontiers in the world, thousands of miles in extent, and no armed men facing each other, armed against each other. You have hundreds, if not thousands, of miles of water—the Great Lakes, which are really seas, with no Dreadnoughts, no flotillas, but a few police boats, which have got their work cut out—(laughter)—not in looking after the water—(renewed laughter)—people living as neighbours ought to live, as good friends ought to live."

"It is a marvellous frontier, a marvellous object lesson. It shows what nations can do when they allow good feelings, neighbourliness, and common-sense to dominate their relations, instead of anger, suspicion, jealousy, hatred, revenge. (Cheers.) That is what the British Empire and the United States of America are teaching the world by an object lesson of thousands of miles which anybody can see."

"I will tell you another thing that struck me. Here are the two greatest Commonwealths on earth without exception in resources, wealth, and possibilities. The United States of America have got nearly three and a half million square miles of land available for a white population. The British Empire has got seven millions of square miles which can be settled by a white population—Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa—apart altogether from the parts of the Empire which are now inhabited and cultivated by men of other races. The possibilities of both are infinite. There is nothing which the earth gives to man for his use that these two great empires have not got either dug out, or locked in the safe the moment the key is turned. The British Empire is the most resourceful and the richest empire on earth, but take the two together and nothing can withstand them. Co-operating, they are irresistible. If their gigantic power, if their might, were used to enslave, oppress, degrade, corrupt, or retard progress, then the two great Commonwealths would be the greatest curse that the earth had ever seen. But if they use their power for human right, human liberty, human progress, they are about the greatest blessing that Providence has ever given to the children of man."

GREAT HOPE FOR THE FUTURE.

"My visit to Canada and the United States of America has filled me with greater hope than ever of the future. I will tell you why. Here in Canada you have a population of 5,000,000, which some of you will live to see to be about 40,000,000 or 50,000,000 at least. That will only be a beginning. In the United States you have a population of 100,000,000. There is no knowing what that will grow to. If you had the same population in the United States as you have per square mile in England you would have a population of 1,500,000,000. If you had the same population in Canada as you have in Scotland, and they are not unlike in many respects, though I will not dwell upon that—(laughter)—you would have 600,000,000. So the possibilities are infinite. Here you have got these two peoples. What struck me was that fundamentally their training is the same, their outlook is the same. The great leaders and prophets of the United States of America, the men who count, the men whose names lift people to their feet, the men whose names you will have to conjure with if ever you want the nation to do great things, they are the men of our race—William Penn, Roger Williams, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Alexander Hamilton, and, in my judgment, the greatest of them all, Abraham Lincoln. They are all men who sprang from the misty island. Their stock came from here, their training was the training which the men and women of these islands received, and I felt it in addressing their audiences. It was the same appeal that went home to them. They have the same sense of right; they have something which is indescribable, but which is concentrated in one word which you will find in no other speech under the sun—fair play. (Cheers.)"

"I used to have experiences at international conferences. (Laughter.) I used the word fair play there often, and I always found the interpreter absolutely baffled. There is no word that corresponds to-day in any other language which is known. It represents, in my judgment, the greatest contribution which the English-speaking world has made to human progress. (Cheers.) It has a language of its own—fair play to the weak, fair play to the strong, fair play to the victor, fair play to the vanquished. (Cheers.) It was fair play that induced the Duke of Wellington and his

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"I am really glad that within the last few weeks real progress has been made in co-operation between these two great countries to bring order out of chaos in Europe. I remember when Mr. Secretary Hughes made his momentous speech in December of last year. It struck me then it was a new departure not merely in handling European situations, but a new departure in the relations of these two great countries. I regret the delay in taking up his initiative, but it has been acted upon. They are now working together. It is vital to the interests of the world that, having started, we should go on, the United States of America and ourselves resolutely go on without flinching, without turning to the right or to the left, go on whatever or whoever is in the way, because with these two gigantic Powers working together for right nothing can resist them. If they work for wrong, injustice, or oppression the Power that makes for righteousness would smash them in the end; but, working as they are for civilisation, for peace, for good-will, for human progress, their power is irresistible, and I trust they will go on to the end. (Loud cheers.)"

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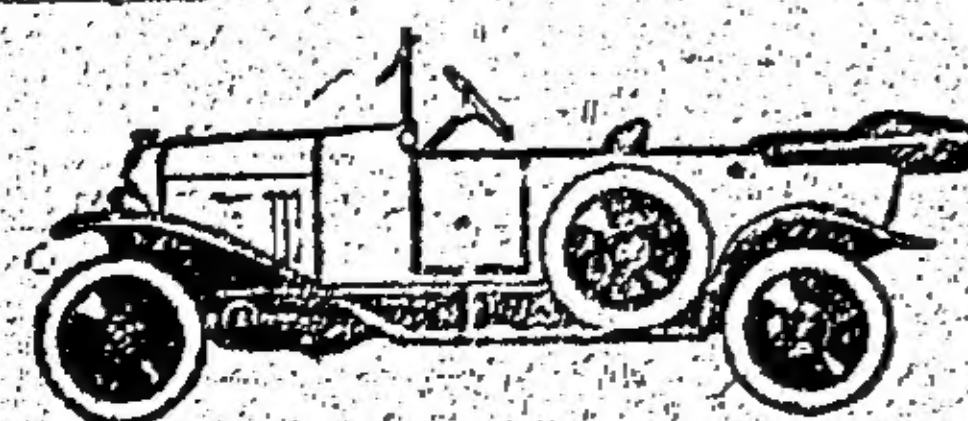
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EMPIRE DEFENCE DOMINIONS AND SEA POWER.

An interesting lecture on "The Evolution of British Empire Defence" was given at University College on October 25th by Major-General Sir George Aston, who traced very clearly the part naval strength had played in policy and how the independence of the Dominions had been fostered by changed disposition of land forces. Admiral Sir Reginald Custance presided.

Sir George Aston said that naval history could be divided, first into the period when the motive power was wind, then when it was British coal, and now when it had entered the stage of dependence on oil owned by other nations, which might be described as sea power on sufferance. He proposed to confine his review to the British coal period, and so far as land forces were concerned, to the term which began at the close of the decade in the last century marked by the Crimean War and the Indian Mutiny. The dependence of the Colonies on the United Kingdom had led to the dispersal all over the world of the bulk of the long-service army of those days, but Lord Cardwell realized that the Colonial dominion rested upon naval supremacy and not on forts and garrisons. This led to the abolition of Colonial local forces maintained by the British taxpayer and the encouragement of the several Governments to undertake responsibility for their own defence.

In reference to the air, about which little guidance could be obtained from the past, Sir George Aston suggested that the geographical distribution of prospective hostile countries must be studied. Owing to the present air radius, one, and only one, country could injure us, and it was necessary to postulate, and to give priority to, provisions to meet such situations which might arise as a result of that geographical distribution.

As he was considering only defence, nothing he had said across the tenets of the League of Nations, and, as a recent example had shown, our weight in international councils still depended on our resources for defending ourselves. Our potential resources for defence were vast, but in order to counter any sudden attack an essential condition of Empire defence was that we should ourselves maintain sea and air forces suitably distributed in time of peace and under some form of central control in time of war to counter such an attack.

The withdrawal of a British guarantee of security in distant seas left the self-governing Dominions with the responsibility for defending their own interests in those seas, and if the resources of the British Commonwealth of Nations were ever again pooled in a great world conflict, it could only be in defence of some simple principle against some external challenge. A demand for simplicity in British foreign policy had come from the Dominion Prime Ministers, and a demand for support of the League of Nations ideal of settling international disputes. Independent provision for military defence had fostered national pride, and, now sea defence could no longer rest on the United Kingdom in the degree it had done in the past, they could look to a further evolution, possibly a centrifugal movement to disruption if it were not for a general agreement on one subject—a reluctance to use force in international relationship and a dislike of all nations actuated by such desires.

EXECUTIONERS ON STRIKE.

CONRAD TRIAL DISCLOSURES.

RED GENERAL AND THE CASH-DON.

Scenes of horror and tragedy and suffering under the Bolshevik rule in Russia were described at Lausanne on the 6th ult. by Pulunin, the young Russian intellectual and ex-officer who is charged with complicity with Moritz Alexandro Conrad, the 27-year-old Russian-born Swiss who is being tried at the Casino for the murder of Vorovsky, the chief Bolshevik delegate at the Lausanne Peace Conference.

Pulunin declared that Conrad's action, of which he fully approved and he would himself repeat if possible, was the only logical reply to the policy of force on which Bolshevikism was based. He went on to give details of his hairbreadth escapes from death, of the torture and murder of women and children by the Bolsheviks, of their violation of Red Cross nurses, and of priests mutilated and nailed to trees.

Pulunin declared that he owed his life to a strike of the Chinese executioners at a Caucasian prison where he was last confined. Just before his turn came these villains threw down their implements, saying that they had killed all the prisoners whom they had been paid to kill, and that they refused to continue until they obtained more pay. Subsequently Pulunin killed a sentinel and liberated his fellow-prisoners.

The first of the lengthy list of witnesses to be called by Moscow representatives with the object of making the trial a vindication of Bolshevikism was a Russian general who lives in Berlin and has his head shaved like his Russian colleagues. He affirmed that the White Terror in Russia was infinitely more terrible than the Red.

UNABLE TO GO HOME.
This declaration aroused laughter, which was renewed when counsel for the defence produced documents accusing the general of fraud, particularly of having absconded from Russia, taking with him the regimental cash-box and its contents.

When the sitting was resumed in the afternoon the Bolsheviks called another of their generals as a witness. He also lived in Berlin and also has his head shaved. He spent half an hour trying to convince the jury that life in Red Russia was infinitely more agreeable than that under the Tsar, but the court burst into laughter when, in reply to a question as to why he did not return, he said he was unable to do so for "many reasons."

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Yesterday afternoon H.E. Admiral Sir Arthur Leveson accompanied by his Staff and some of the ship's company (comprising approximately 10 men of various ratings) of the H.M.S. "Hawkins," attended at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank where they were received by the Directors of the Bank and the Chief Manager of the Banking Corporation (the Hon. Mr. A. C. Stephen) and specially thanked for the splendid services they rendered in connection with the earthquake in Japan. The Admiral was presented with a handsome silver cup in the form of an ancient Chinese incense burner, in recognition of the inestimable services rendered by the men of H.M.S. "Hawkins," to the Bank after the earthquake at Yokohama. The cup bears the following inscription:—

"Presented by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation to His Majesty's Flagship 'Hawkins' in remembrance of the gallant and invaluable service rendered to the Bank in Yokohama, September, 1923, by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, the Captain, Officers and Ship's Company."

The Hon. Mr. A. O. LANG, Chairman of the Court of Directors, said:—Your Excellency, it is a great pleasure to have you with us this afternoon and in view of the special circumstances which prompted the invitation we feel greatly honoured by your presence.

We have asked you to come here to-day, Sir, in order that we might express our profound thanks for the gallant and invaluable services rendered by your Excellency, the Captain, Officers and Ship's Company of H.M. flag-ship "Hawkins" to the Bank at Yokohama, and the Staff attached thereto, during the dark days following immediately upon the terrible earthquake which wrought such devastation in Japan early in September. Mr. Wright, the Manager at Yokohama, has written in eulogistic terms of the assistance received from the Navy, without which it would have been impossible to reorganise the affairs of the Bank in Japan so expeditiously as has proved to be the case. The help rendered is further proof that the traditions of the Senior Service are being worthily maintained, and is evidence of the interest taken by the Navy in the commerce of the Empire. We appreciate, Sir, all you have done since your arrival on Station in an endeavour to protect and advance British trade in these parts, and we sincerely trust these efforts will meet with success.

I now ask your Excellency to accept on behalf of H.M. flag-ship, this replica in silver of an ancient Chinese incense burner as a memento from the Bank of the assistance rendered by the "Hawkins" during those terrible days in Yokohama to which I have referred.

His Excellency, replying, said:—In accepting, on behalf of the flag-ship, this extraordinarily handsome present I can only say that the Navy is always ready to do their duty and in this instance, in the face of such an appalling disaster, every one of the Nations that could rushed to help, and that the help, such as it was, was so appreciated by the Court of Directors of the Bank, is a source of very great pleasure to us.

I may say that our work at Yokohama was most unpleasant in the midst of such death and destruction, but the least unpleasant—in fact, I might almost call it a holiday—to the torpedo department, was blowing in, by gun cotton, the door of the Bank safe. I must congratulate the Bank on the strength and efficiency of their strong room. It resisted all our efforts till we resorted to gun cotton, and then I am glad to note, as you all know, we found the inside unhurt. The Bank lends the mercantile world, and I am sure this is an instance in which they proved it by having the best safe. In all other cases damage by fire, or actually baking the inside, was the result.

I turn to this very handsome gift. We appreciate the very kind thought of giving it and we appreciate the fact that it is the handsomest and most unique trophy that has ever been given to any of H.M. Ships. Again, Mr. Chairman, on behalf of the flag-ship, I thank the whole Court of Directors for their most handsome present.

This concluded the ceremony.

ANOTHER PIRACY.

PIRATES OF THE "SUNNING" SAID
TO BE IMPLICATED.

A report has been sent to Hongkong by the Commissioner of Customs at Amoy, that a steam launch named the "Kango," was seized by pirates on December 5th whilst on a voyage from Chuen Chow to Amoy. The vessel is now missing and the agents in Amoy have appealed to the Customs authorities there for help, in trying to find their vessel. It is believed that the launch has been ransacked and that she has been beached in some out of the way place.

An interesting feature of the story is that the Hongkong police are of the opinion that the piracy of the launch was carried out by the pirates of the "Sunning," which was pirated on a voyage from Canton to Hongkong in October of this year. These pirates are believed to have passed through Hongkong and up the Coast to Amoy where they planned their latest coup. After seizing the launch it is alleged that the pirates abandoned it and came back to Hongkong on a smuggler's salt-boat. In Hongkong recently a number of these alleged pirates were rounded up by the police and they are being held pending further investigations. A quantity of jewellery alleged to have been stolen from passengers on the "Sunning" has been found on the men. In this connection the police are arranging to have photographs taken and circulated amongst the Customs Stations in the hope that the articles may be identified by victims of the piracy.

EUROPEAN LADY'S BAG SNATCHED.

A "ROBOT MAKER" ACTS THE
PART OF SLEUTH.

At the Magistracy yesterday a young Chinese was charged before Mr. Hamilton with snatching a handbag from Miss Geoghegan, living at the Kowloon Hotel, when she was walking up Battery Path at about a quarter to seven on Monday evening.

Miss Geoghegan said that she was on her way to the Peak tram station when she felt a pull at her hand from behind. On looking round she saw a man of the coolie class, dressed similarly to defendant, making off down the steps leading to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. She called out and was answered by a European gentleman near by (Mr. Bullock) who said "All right; I'll get him."

Mr. A. K. Mackenzie gave evidence that he was going out of the Cricket Club ground into the Hongkong Club when Mr. Bullock approached and told him that a Chinese had snatched a lady's handbag at Battery Path. He moved towards defendant, who was then about five yards away, and he started to run shouting out in Chinese "It is not me." Witness caught defendant near the Naval Yard and as he held him by both wrists a spectacles case and handkerchief (identified by Miss Geoghegan as part of the contents of the bag) dropped from him and were picked up by Mr. Bullock.

Mr. J. A. E. Bullock told the Court that he saw defendant go up to the lady and put himself right down on the ground. In a second or so, he had snatched the bag and made off down the steps. He followed him down the steps and into Wardley Street, where defendant began to walk, as no hue and cry was raised. Witness walked himself in order to take the man by surprise. Defendant turned round by the Queen's Statue to the Law Courts, where he went behind the pillars and witness saw him fumble with the bag, as though to go through the contents. Proceeding along Chater Road, witness kept the man under observation as he was conspicuously prominent on account of his wearing a light coat and dark trousers. When he saw Mr. Mackenzie, witness asked him if he would do some running. Mr. Bullock then corroborated Mr. Mackenzie's evidence as to the arrest and the picking up of the spectacles case and handkerchief.

Prisoner was given into the custody of Sergeant J. MacWalter on duty at the bottom of Garden Road, and the sergeant deposited that on the information of Mr. Bullock he took defendant back to the Law Courts where he found the bag.

Defendant made a statement denying that he was on Battery Path at all. His Worship said: "This handbag snatching is getting rather frequent, and imposed sentence of two months' hard labour with twelve strokes of the birch. He congratulated Mr. Bullock on a 'successful bit of detective work'."

COMPANY REPORT.

KOWLOON LAND CO.

VOLUNTARY WINDING UP.

An extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Kowloon Land and Building Company, was held yesterday at the offices of the Company, for the purpose of passing a resolution for the voluntary winding up of the Company on the ground that the Company has disposed of all its landed property and that its assets now consist of cash.

Mr. T. E. Pearce presided and there were also present the Very Rev. Father Robert and Mr. G. W. Barton (Directors), Mr. L. S. Greenhill (Secretary), and Sir Paul Chater, Messrs. H. A. Selby, J. Hennessy, Seth, P. Cassidy, H. A. Rogers, W. J. Wilkinson and W. R. Wilkinson (shareholders), together with Mr. M. H. Turner, representing the Company's solicitors, Messrs. Deacon, Harston and Shenton.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen:—You will have gathered from the circular issued to shareholders last July that this Co. has disposed of all its landed property and that all its assets now consist of cash. The amount of cash lying at our credit, on deposit at the bank, interests thereon up to the 6th January next and on current account, will approximately total \$551,000. As you will have seen from the advertisement calling this meeting, it is proposed to voluntarily wind up the Company and distribute the available assets to shareholders. The capital of the Company consists of 6,000 shares of \$50 each, on which \$30 per share has been paid up, so that after paying legal and liquidating expenses there should be a return which I think you will agree with me is a very favourable one. I hold proxies from 29 shareholders representing 1,500 shares. I now beg to propose the following resolution and, after it has been duly seconded, shall be pleased to answer any questions to the best of my ability:—"That this Company be wound up voluntarily."

Sir PAUL CHATER seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

The Chairman intimated that the confirmation meeting would be held on January 4th.

SPORT.

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THE HEALTH OF THE COLONY.

SANITARY DEPARTMENT'S LIMITED VIEW OF ITS DUTIES.

At the fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board, held yesterday, the two following questions, asked by Dr. W. V. M. Koch, formed the topic of a very interesting discussion:

(1) Will the Head of the Sanitary Department kindly inform this Board whether any supervision is exercised by officers of the Department over building operations in progress in the Colony?

(2) If no supervision has been hitherto exercised, cannot some arrangement be made to exercise some supervision in view of the extensive prevalence of Malaria and Dengue?

The MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH, in reply, said with regard to the first question that special visits had been paid, quite recently, by Sanitary Inspectors to buildings in the course of erection. As a result of visits by Sanitary Inspectors 57 nuisances had been discovered this year, 44 of which were caused by the breeding of mosquitoes. Seven prosecutions were taken and fines were inflicted by the Magistrate. Dr. PEARSE said he did not think that the second question arose in view of his reply.

The CHAIRMAN: Although I quite agree that the second question does not arise, I would like to say a little more. I would like to remind the Board that the main function for which my Department was organized was to deal with notifiable and infectious diseases. I think I am right in saying that we were originally a Plague Department pure and simple. At present something like four-fifths of the Sanitary Inspectors are used against plague. On top of that, without special machinery, and without sufficient supervisory staff, we are at the present moment engaged in fighting the most serious outbreak of small-pox the Colony has ever known. I am not going to suggest that the Department does not attempt to deal with malaria or dengue, indeed, the reply of the Medical Officer of Health proves the contrary. But it is necessary to bear in mind that the first consideration must be the most deadly diseases. There was a death-roll of over a thousand last year from plague, and the deaths from small-pox during the last two and a-half months are about 600.

The policy as regards malaria, I understand from the Medical Officer of Health, may be taken largely as applying to dengue as well. This has been consistently stated by the Medical Officer of Health and consistently represented to the Government. In this direction I mean attacking the mosquitoes by "training and draining." As regards this I specially detached a small staff some months ago to make preliminary investigations of swamps and nullahs and, as the result of our representations to the Government, it has been agreed that a joint survey by the Medical Officer of Health and the Drainage Authority is to be undertaken to settle a regular scheme of work. This survey would have started several weeks ago had not the small-pox epidemic intervened. We can never expect to eliminate the domestic mosquito. This would involve domiciliary visits twice a week to every house in the Colony, and that is not contemplated with our present staff, or indeed with any staff.

Dr. Koch asked why there had been no few prosecutions, and the CHAIRMAN replied that the reason was that the nuisances had been abated and the regulations complied with.

Dr. Koch said that there were other things besides the elimination of plague and other infectious diseases. There were many new buildings being erected in the City, right in the heart of crowded areas, and in these partially erected houses crowds of building coolies were living in insanitary conditions. There were places in May Road where crowds of coolies were living in such conditions. He thought that the Sanitary Department had a wider function than that of attacking infectious diseases generally.

In his opinion it had the general health of the Colony under its control, which made it even more important than the Medical Department. "We all know," continued Dr. Koch, "that in these modern days the main thing is the prevention of disease, which is much more important than the curing of disease." He thought that the Board should have such sanitation as he had referred to well under its control.

The discussion was then dropped and this was all the business before the Board. There were present at the meeting: Mr. G. R. Sayer (Chairman), the Hon. Mr. H. T. Cressy (Director of Public Works), Dr. W. V. M. Pearce (the Medical Officer of Health), Dr. Ozorio, Dr. Koch, Mr. G. G. Alabaster, E.C., Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, Mr. S. W. Tso and the Secretary to the Board (Mr. J. A. Fraser).

ALLEGATIONS AGAINST A DOCTOR.

CASE COMES TO AN ABRUPT CONCLUSION.

The case in which Mr. Thorwald Anderson, formerly employed as a foreman with the Hongkong Wharf and Godown Company and at present employed by the Shanghai Municipal Council as clerk of works, sued Dr. J. H. Sanders, medical practitioner in charge of the Matilda Hospital, for damages on the ground of unskilful or negligent treatment to his hand, which was injured in an accident in December 1921, was continued at the Supreme Court, yesterday, before the Chief Justice (Sir William Rees-Davies) and a special Jury. The Jury were: Messrs. Frank Smyth (Foreman), G. P. Curry, G. Bird, G. M. Young, J. Reid, W. G. Goggin and O. I. Ellis.

Plaintiff was represented by Mr. C. G. Alabaster, E.C. (instructed by Mr. G. R. Haywood), while Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master) appeared for the defence.

Mr. Jenkin opened the case for the defence when the Court resumed in the morning. Counsel submitted that there had been a complete failure to produce evidence of any disability to Mr. Anderson's hand and wrist. Not a syllable to this effect had been stated in the witness-box. True, out of the recesses of No. 7, Orient Building, the plaintiff had produced Dr. Woodman who had not even hinted that Mr. Anderson's disability was the ultimate result of want of treatment by Dr. Sanders. It was rather surprising that Dr. Woodman did not take the trouble to examine Mr. Anderson's hand, and find out its present condition. Could one imagine a medical practitioner with any regard for the decency of his profession coming into the witness-box before seven commercial men sitting as a special jury and confessing that he had not taken the trouble to examine the man's hand? It was an action of a very surprising nature.

Regarding the nature of the injuries, Mr. Jenkin went on to say that they were of an extraordinary kind, without precedent in the annals of medical learning. When a man fell, the natural thing for him to do was to put out his hand to save himself. Counsel, who said he was prepared to full in Court to show the Jury that this was so, produced the skeleton of a lady's hand and proceeded to explain the features of the metacarpal bones and the radius. He then went on to say that he would produce experts who would say that it was unknown to have a fracture of the metacarpal bone and a fracture of the radius at the same time. Medical men would never dream of looking for a fracture of the metacarpal bone when there was a fracture of the radius bone. It was alleged that Dr. Sanders did not treat the case as a fracture at all, but Dr. Sanders would state that he knew from the moment of the admittance of the patient to hospital that he was suffering from a Colles' fracture.

Mr. Jenkin went on to deal with the career of Dr. Sanders at some length. He said that Dr. Sanders had been a medical practitioner for nearly a quarter of a century. In his early professional days he gained great experience in the particular class of medical work under review. He was resident medical officer at the London Hospital for nearly two years and he was house surgeon there. He was also honorary adviser at a London Throat Hospital. He came to Hongkong in 1906 and had been in charge of the Matilda Hospital ever since its inception. He was the sole man there, and he was in charge of the administrative side as well as the medical side, including the maternity side. And yet after this distinguished career, Mr. Anderson alleged that he had failed. During the war Dr. Sanders went back to England and once again took up his old position of Resident Medical Officer of the London Hospital. Later he was transferred as Senior Resident Medical Officer at the Norwich and Norfolk Military Hospital where there were 600 beds. Later he was transferred to the Boscombe Military Hospital with nearly 900 beds. Out in Hongkong Dr. Sanders was highly respected.

Dr. Sanders, he said, would say it from the time that Mr. Anderson finally left hospital on December 23rd he had not seen him again until yesterday in the Court. He had left the hospital making no suggestion that he had been improperly treated or that the Doctor was negligent in his treatment. There was a complete silence for nearly three months after the plaintiff had left the hospital; then out of the office of Mr. Haywood, on March 23rd, there came a booming in the form of a claim for damages.

Continuing, Mr. Jenkin said that if a man fell at the age of 50 years the disability he would receive would be greater than a younger man would receive. The little disability Mr. Anderson had was only consonant with the good treatment he had received. No doctor would hope for or could expect a better result. But it appeared that Mr. Anderson expected that Dr. Sanders would not only heal the fracture but restore him to that condition in which he had been created.

DR. SANDERS IN THE WITNESS BOX.

A COMPLETE DENIAL.

Dr. James Herbert Sanders, M.D., L.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., was then called to the witness-box. He stated that he had been a fully qualified practitioner for nearly 22 years. He gave an outline of the history of his career as a medical practitioner, confirming what his Counsel had stated, and mentioned that during the war he had, as Senior Resident Officer at the Norwich and Norfolk Military Hospital, to deal with many cases of fractures, many men being admitted to his hospital straight from the front. At the Matilda Hospital he looked after the administrative side as well as the medical side of the hospital. With regard to the present case his first connection with it was the result of a telephone message from Dr. Smalley on the morning of the 14th December, 1921, as the result of which he agreed to accept Mr. Anderson into hospital. Mr. Anderson arrived about 11.30 a.m. Witness had completed his round when he arrived and was waiting for him. He attended at once to the head wound and then took the patient to the X-ray room where the injured hand was screened and examined. The condition of the patient was such that he could not give him a long examination. The whole proceedings occupied 3 to 5 minutes and the actual examination 15 minutes. Witness did not observe any displacement of the bone. Witness had been told by Dr. Smalley that Mr. Anderson had a Colles' fracture. He had been treated before this by Dr. Smalley—an experienced medical man—who had dressed the injury properly and not as a mere first aid dressing as suggested by the plaintiff. It was eighteen hours after Dr. Smalley's treatment that he arrived at the Matilda Hospital—and then the hand was very much swollen. Knowing the state of the man's mind witness probably told him that there were no bones broken with the sole idea of allaying his anxiety, and though he could not see the fracture he knew from what Dr. Smalley had said that there was a fracture. On the second day Dr. Sanders ordered a passive and active movement of the fingers to prevent adhesion of the bones. This was the treatment he would have advised in any case. Four days after the patient was admitted it was unthinkable—contrary to what Mr. Anderson had stated—that he would allow him or order him to take off the splint. On the 22nd December, Mr. Anderson said he wanted to go home for Christmas. Witness said it was impossible and explained to Mr. Anderson that he had a fracture which would require supervision. Witness could not consent to his going out and said if he went he (witness) would disclaim all further responsibility. Mr. Anderson did not take his advice and walked out on the 24th of December. Witness did not know he had gone. The written records showed that he removed the splints on the 19th December with the intention of taking a photograph but he was called away to a maternity case which took all day. On the 21st he attempted to take a photograph and had it been a wholly successful photograph he should not have altered the treatment at all. The photo, in fact, turned out a blank. On the 23rd December he took another photo, although he had no record of doing so as the plaintiff was not a patient. It was all done in a most open, friendly manner. This photo did not include the upper end of the metacarpal. Witness intended to take as much of the hand as possible. As far as his memory served him, witness said that on the 23rd December he was about to go into the theatre to perform an operation for appendicitis when Mr. Anderson appeared. Witness told him it was impossible to attend to him then. He told Mr. Anderson to go and have some lunch and he would see him later. He later explained why the fracture could not be seen when it was screened in the first place. This was not the first time he had told Mr. Anderson that he had a fracture. In fact one of the arguments used by witness before plaintiff leaving the hospital, before Christmas was that he had a fracture. The visits after Christmas were not official; they were friendly as the patient had discharged himself before Christmas.

DR. WOODMAN'S LETTER.

In reply to Mr. Alabaster regarding Dr. Woodman's action in writing a letter after seeing the X-ray photographs, Dr. Sanders said the proper course would have been for Dr. Woodman to have communicated with him.

Mr. Alabaster: That is the only difference of opinion you can give on this point?

Witness: You cannot prevent anyone expressing an opinion. But it is not etiquette to do such a thing as this.

Do you suggest that this is not an honest opinion?—No, I don't think I would like to express anything about it. It is a letter I cannot understand any man's writing.

Do you suggest it is a dishonest opinion?—I don't suggest it is dishonest. You don't; well, then, it is not dishonest—No.

Mr. Anderson states that a photograph was not taken until ten days after the accident. Do you agree with that?—That statement is incorrect.

A careful person would have seen it on the screen and even if the man was not in a fit state on the first day what was to prevent a photograph being taken on the following day?—There was no hurry in taking the photograph.

Then what was your object in taking a photograph at all?—For record purposes only.

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CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

(BEFORE HIS HONOUR THE JUSTICE JUDGE (MR. JUSTICE COMPTON).)

BANK NOTE FORGERY CASE.

HEAVY SENTENCE FOR MALE PRISONER.

The case in which a man and a woman were indicted at the Criminal Sessions on five counts of unlawfully having in their possession certain papers and machinery for the purpose of making forged banknotes was concluded yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Campbell Prosser, addressing the jury on behalf of the prisoners, said the first prisoner (the man) was employed by Pun, or by Li Sik, and that he was in the room as a *foke*. There was no evidence to show that he knew anything about the banknotes at all. "I am certain," Counsel continued, "I would have gone into this house and would not have known what the machinery was being used for, taking into consideration that the man's employer had a machinery shop."

Continuing, Mr. Prosser said: "It is my contention that although the police have made a valuable capture; that is all they have done. They have missed the principals in the case, which is the second most important thing in the case—if not the most important. A woman and a *foke*, as a result of this, are charged with the crime of others."

The Attorney-General, in his address to the jury, referred to Mr. Campbell Prosser's contention that the bundles of banknotes could not be seen at all. "That is all very well, if I went in," argued the Attorney-General, but to have lived there for six months, as the first prisoner has done, I am pretty certain I would have known all about it." He submitted that the first prisoner was guilty.

The Justice Judge then summed up to the jury and pointed out that the prisoner was an educated man with clean and unmarked hands; a thing which would be hard to find as belonging to a filter and one who worked in a machine shop.

The jury returned a verdict of "guilty" in the case of both the man and the woman, and his Lordship sentenced the male prisoner to five years' imprisonment with hard labour on each of the first and second counts, the sentences to run consecutively. On the third count a further five years' imprisonment was ordered; the sentence to run concurrently with the other two. The woman was sentenced to six months' imprisonment on each of the fourth and fifth counts, the sentences to run concurrently.

DISABILITIES SLIGHT.

PROFESSOR DIGBY'S VIEW.

Professor E. Digby, F.R.C.S., Professor of Surgery at the Hongkong University, was next called. He said he examined the plaintiff for half an hour on the previous morning.

Mr. Jenkin: Assuming that you know nothing about the case would you say that the present condition is a good result or a bad result?

Professor Digby: I think it is quite a good result. I found the deformity was quite slight. It was less than is usual in a case of Colles' fracture. All the movements of the wrist, the fingers, the thumb were perfectly good with two exceptions. His wrist he could not flex to 75 degrees. His right index finger instead of being able to bend it to a right angle he can only bend it to 45 degrees. I also found that his grasp was a little weak. I should not put his disability as high as 30 per cent. If he was a professional pianist his disability would be total. But as clerk of works I think 15 per cent. would represent the damage; of course, I am not familiar with what he would really have to do in the course of his occupation.

Professor Shellshear, Professor of Anatomy at the Hongkong University, said that he examined the plaintiff's arm. He thought it was a very good result. If he had known the condition of the man he would not have expected a better result. The particular injury was most exceptional. Even a specialist could hardly be expected to look for any damage to the metacarpal bone in view of the fracture to the radius. In the use of the X-ray screen, the witness added, the photograph of the shadows of the bones might be exaggerated. As regards the history of the case he did not think that Dr. Sanders' treatment could have been improved upon. He did not agree with Dr. Woodman's view that Dr. Sanders should have tried to disimpact the fracture to the radius. He thought it would have been almost culpable to have done such a thing, in view of the fact that the result as it was quite good.

Professor Shellshear explained at great length how the injuries in question could be termed as extraordinary; making use of many technical terms. This prompted his Lordship to remark that they were very grateful to Professor Shellshear for his lecture, but he was rather doubtful as to whether it was fully understood.

The Foreman of the jury took advantage of the opportunity and, rising to his feet, asked his Lordship if he considered it was necessary for them to go on with the case in view of what they had heard.

His Lordship said that if they were satisfied in their own minds that the plaintiff had not proved his case they could make their decision there and then.

The Foreman, after consulting the other jurors, said: It is our opinion that the plaintiff has not proved his case.

His Lordship: Then I will give a verdict for the defendant.

Mr. Jenkin: I ask for judgment with costs.

His Lordship: Yes, certainly and a certificate for the special jurors.

The jurors were then discharged, his Lordship tendering to them the thanks of the Colony for their attendance.

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By Order of the Court of Directors.

A. G. STEPHEN, Chief Manager.

[1736]

NOTICE.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

CERTIFICATE No. A/68 for Nine Shares, \$4 per share paid up, numbered 93048/93051 in this Society standing in the name of KWONG SING LUNG of Yokohama has been declared LOST, and if at the expiration of One Month from the Date hereof the above document be not forthcoming the said Certificate will be deemed cancelled and of no effect, and a NEW Certificate for the Nine Shares will be issued in its stead by the Society.

C. MONTAGUE EDE, General Manager.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1923. [1696]

THE KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 5, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Victoria, Hongkong, at Noon, on the 18th DAY OF DECEMBER, 1923, when the Subjoined Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution that is to say—

That the Company be wound up voluntarily.

AND NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that a further EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Same Time and Place on the 4TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1924, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Proceedings at the above mentioned Meeting and of confirming if thought fit a Special Resolution the above mentioned Resolution.

A further Resolution will be proposed at the Second Meeting, for the appointment of a Liquidator or Liquidators for the purposes of such Winding Up and fixing his or their remuneration.

L. S. GREENHILL, Acting Secretary to

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD., General Agents for

THE KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

Hongkong, 30th November, 1923. [1654]

INTIMATIONS

THE CHINESE ENGINEERING AND MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

PAYMENT OF FINAL DIVIDEND ON SHARES FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE, 1923.

THE Board having declared a FINAL DIVIDEND of 8 1/4% (Eight and a half per cent.) free of Income Tax, for the Year ending 30th JUNE, 1923, Holders of Bearer Shares and Holders of Dividend Warrants received from London on account of Registered Shares, will be paid their Dividends on presenting No. 23 Coupon of the Bearer Shares, and Dividend Warrants on Registered Shares, to either of the following Banks at Shanghai or Canton:

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P. C. YOUNG, General Manager.

KAILAN MINING ADMINISTRATION. [1708]

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COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that SEALED TENDERS in Triplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for Quarries," will be received at this Office until Noon on MONDAY, the 24TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1923, for the letting of the undermentioned Granite Quarries at Hongkong and the New Territories, for one year or, as an alternative, for a period of 3 years from the 1st January, 1924.

Each Tender must be accompanied by a receipt to the effect that the Tenderer has deposited in the Colonial Treasury a sum as stated in the Schedule hereunder opposite to each Quarry, as a pledge of the bona fides of his offer, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown, if the Tenderer refuses to carry out his Tender and comply with the conditions hereinafter contained, should the Tender be accepted.

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COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that SEALED TENDERS in Triplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for Quarries," will be received at this Office until Noon on MONDAY, the 24TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1923, for the letting of the undermentioned Granite Quarries at Hongkong and Kowloon, for one year or, as an alternative, for a period of 3 years from the 1st January, 1924.

Each Tender must be accompanied by a receipt to the effect that the Tenderer has deposited in the Colonial Treasury a sum as stated in the Schedule hereunder opposite to each Quarry, as a pledge of the bona fides of his offer, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown, if the Tenderer refuses to carry out his Tender and comply with the conditions hereinafter contained, should the Tender be accepted.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any Tender.

Forms of Tender can be obtained from the Director of Public Works.

PARTICULARS OF THE QUARRIES.

Quarry Lot No.	Area in Acres	Upset Deposit	Annual Rent
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3	1.84	200.00	50.00
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CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SERIOUS SITUATION AFGHAN BORDER.

AFGHAN POPULATION HOSTILE TO BRITAIN.

BOLSHEVIST EMISSARIES AT WORK.

LONDON, December 17th.

There is a grave situation on the Afghan border owing to the Afghan Government not yet complying with the repeated demands of the Indian Government for the surrender of murderers of British subjects. Afghan police attempts to arrest the culprits have been unsuccessful owing to the hostility of the population, amongst whom Bolshevist emissaries are spreading anti-European propaganda.

FAMILIES OF DIPLOMATS LEAVE KABUL.

In view of the situation the families of European Diplomats at Kabul have been escorted to Peshawar.

The Government of India is confident that the Amir will consent to hand over the murderers, but in the meanwhile they are taking such steps as seem advisable.

"FRIENDS IN TURKEY" AND RUSSIA.

The Afghan Minister to Paris is credited by the *Moyn* with expressing strong anti-British sentiments, alleging that Great Britain is desirous of annexing Afghanistan, and declaring that if Afghanistan is invaded, the Afghans will defend themselves to the last man; moreover, they have friends in Turkey and Russia.

DISCORD AMONG COMMUNISTS.

FREEDOM OF SPEECH UPSETS A "HAPPY FAMILY."

RIGA, December 17th.

Advices from Moscow state that the Communist Party's new programme, which was proclaimed on December 15th, involving extensive freedom of speech among the rank and file of the Communists, has caused serious discord among the Party leaders.

Kamenev, on December 11th, was forced to defend himself against the attacks of Sapronov, Preobrazhensky, Smirnov and others who accused the Party's Central Committee of arrogating to themselves too much authority and not considering the wishes of the rank and file.

Kamenev, in replying, reproached Radek with supporting the malcontents and warned members against converting the new reform into a mere struggle for power.

The Soviet Official Press states that the situation is most grave and the only salvation consists in the Party preserving complete unity while accomplishing present reforms.

DYNASTIC CRISIS IN GREECE. GOVERNMENT ADVISES KING TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY.

ATHENS, December 17th.

The Government has informed the King that it is advisable that he should leave Greece until the National Assembly decides on the regime best befitting the country.

The King replied to-day.

KING AND QUEEN LEAVE FOR RUMANIA.

LATER.

Their Majesties are proceeding to Rumania to-night. Admiral Kondouriotis will be appointed Regent.

EARLIER CABLES.

GREEK ELECTIONS.

BIG MAJORITY FOR M. VENIZELOS.

LONDON, December 17th.

The elections in Greece were held yesterday, and were very orderly. An attempt by the opposition leaders to induce their followers to boycott the elections was only partially successful. M. Venizelos was elected, many Royalists voting for him, considering he is the only politician able to extricate Greece from her impasse, and in view of his moderation on the dynastic question.

An Athens message now reports that a dynastic crisis is imminent. The King's departure is believed to be a foregone conclusion.

LATEST CABLES.

FRANCE AND GERMANY. GETTING DOWN TO BUSINESS.

BERLIN, December 17th.

It is semi-officially stated that the French reply to Von Hoersch's statement is of such a nature as to justify the German Government in making detailed proposals as regards the restoration of German Administration in the occupied territories and the resumption of traffic with unoccupied Germany.

DISCONTENT IN FRENCH CIVIL SERVICE.

MATTER TO BE SUBMITTED TO CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES.

PARIS, December 17th.

Altogether 77 arrests were made during the demonstration of Civil Servants.

Six of the persons detained were charged with assaulting the police.

M. De Lasteyrie, Minister of Finance, is opposed to a uniform increase in the cost of living bonus allowed Civil Servants to 1,800 francs, as asked by the Civil Servants, and will make the matter a question of confidence in the Chamber of Deputies to-day.

EARLIER CABLES.

EXTREMISTS CAUSE TROUBLE.

PARIS, December 17th.

The extremist section of Civil servants attempted to demonstrate against the Government's refusal to increase the cost-of-living bonus by 750 francs. Several parties marching to the Place de l'Opera were dispersed by the police, who made twenty arrests.

LATEST CABLES.

EMPIRE EXHIBITION. TO BE OPENED ON ST. GEORGE'S DAY.

LONDON, December 17th.

Reuter understands that the date fixed for the opening of the Empire Exhibition is April 23rd, St. George's Day.

ROCKEFELLER GIFT TO EDINBURGH UNIVERSITY.

LONDON, December 17th.

The Rockefeller Trusts, New York, have made a gift of \$50,000 to the Edinburgh University to erect a clinical laboratory complete with an endowment for a Professorship of Surgery.

OBITUARY.

SIR HENRY KIMBER.

LONDON, December 17th.

The death is announced of Sir Henry Kimber.

[Sir Henry Kimber was a noted Solicitor, and was the founder of the firm of Kimber and Ellis, now Kimbers and Boatman; for many years M.P. for Wandsworth. Deceased was in his ninety-fourth year.]

JONKHEER VAN PANHUY.

HELSINKI, December 17th.

The death is announced of Jonkheer Van Panhuys, Netherlands Minister to Switzerland.

EARLIER CABLES.

ANGLO-PERSIAN OIL COMPANY.

PROSPEROUS FUTURE PREDICTED.

LONDON, December 17th.

Presiding at the meeting of the Anglo-Persian Oil Company, Sir Charles Greenway, Bart., alluding to the possibility of the Government disposing of their Anglo-Persian shares, said the Company had no control over the sale of shares by a shareholder, therefore were in no wise parties to such proposal. The Company had not been consulted, and had no need to be consulted in the matter, consequently he was not in a position to give any definite information. He understood a decision had not yet been reached, but should the sale be effected the interests of the other shareholders would be fully protected. Referring to criticisms of the Company's "colossal" expenditure, he declared the value of their territory had hitherto proved to have far exceeded the cost of the whole of their testing operations.

IMPORTANT BRITISH BANK FUSION.

LONDON, December 17th.

The latest big fusion of banking interests concerns the North Scotland Bank and Midland Bank, who have entered into a provisional agreement under which the Midland offers eleven fully paid fifty-shilling shares for every four North Scotland shares, and in view of his moderation on the dynastic question.

EARLIER CABLES.

INDIAN POLITICS. SWARAJISTS REFUSE TO FORM GOVERNMENT.

CALCUTTA, December 17th.

Mr. Das has replied to the Governor regretting he is unable to undertake Ministerial responsibility, the Swaraj party having decided not to accept the offer. Mr. Das points out that the Swarajists are pledged to put an end to the diarchy, which they would be unable to do if they took office, as they would not consider it honest to accept and then turn it into an instrument of obstruction. He expresses, nevertheless, the party's appreciation of the spirit of constitutionalism actuating Lord Lytton in making the offer.

THE HINDU-MOSLEM PACT.

CALCUTTA, December 17th.

A Swaraj meeting further pledged the party to reject all Government measures until the national demand for at least provincial responsible Government be granted. The Hindu-Moslem pact already mentioned provides, *inter alia*, that under self-government fifty-five per cent. of the posts be allotted to Mohammedans, that religious toleration be maintained, and for the appointment of a Hindu-Moslem committee to settle communal disputes.

FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE. HEAVY LOSSES IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, December 17th.

Hitherto there have been 1,245 outbreaks of foot and mouth disease in England notified. A total of 4,183 cattle and 2,178 sheep, pigs and goats have been slaughtered. The Government has paid £1,248,000, as compensation. The Devonshire and Newcastle Christmas fat stock shows have been abandoned.

AIR TRANSPORT OFFICIALS.

LONDON, December 17th.

The Air Ministry announces that the Government has decided to appoint Sir Herbert Hambling and Major J. W. Hills to be the Government directors of the New Imperial Air Transport Company.

LATEST CABLES.

IRISH REPUBLIC FUNDS IN AMERICA.

DE VALERA MUST TESTIFY IN FREE STATE'S SUIT.

NEW YORK, December 17th.

His Honour Justice Wagner, of the Supreme Court, has signed an order making effective the recent decision requiring De Valera, Stack and Bartman to testify against the Free State in the Free State's suit to impress money from local banks, which has been deposited in the name of the Irish Republic.

The order directs that if De Valera and the others be interfered with for the purpose of preventing them testifying, the injunction against the withdrawal of funds will be dissolved, and the Free State will be forever barred from pressing its suit.

The order stipulates that De Valera and others must testify before the American Consul-General in Ireland between January 1st and February 28th.

U.S. PRESIDENCY.

CANDIDATE FOR DEMOCRATIC NOMINATION.

LOS ANGELES, December 17th.

Mr. Macdonald, ex-Secretary to the Treasury, has definitely announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for the Presidency.

MEXICAN MELEE.

PIERCE BATTLE RAGING.

VERA CRUZ, December 17th.

A fierce battle took place yesterday between the Federal troops and the Rebels for the possession of Apizaco and Tlaxcala. No details have come to hand up to the present. Reinforcements are being sent from Vera Cruz. Fighting is also taking place at San Marcos, where the followers of President Obregon are attacking the Rebels.

EARLIER CABLES.

REBEL SUCCESSES CLAIMED.

NEW YORK, December 17th.

Advices from the Government side of the Mexican conflict are almost completely lacking. President Obregon, having organized his forces in the West, appears to have temporarily abandoned the Guadalupe campaign, and to be turning his attention to the rebel thrust from Vera Cruz. The rebels claim to hold Puebla City and Oaxaca. The latter is only forty six miles south-east of the capital.

JUMP IN AMERICAN COTTON PRICES.

NEW YORK, December 17th.

Values jumped emotionally in the cotton market, closing 97 to 118 points higher.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARLIAMENTARY PLEASANTIES AT PEKING.

ANOTHER FIGHT ON THE FLOOR OF THE HOUSE.

PEKING, December 18th.

The Lower House met this afternoon at three o'clock under the Presidency of Wu Ching Ling, nearly three hundred members being present. Wu's supporters proposed a departure from the agenda, which called for a vote on the nomination of Sun Pao Chi, in order to discuss the gold franc issue, but this course was opposed by those in opposition to Wu. Hot words led to blows and a free fight between the two factions ensued on the floor of the House, in which Wu Ching Lian was injured in the face. He gave orders that the police be called in, and had the ringleader, Huang Yi arrested, after which order was restored.

CHAIRMAN OF REUTER'S IN JAPAN.

TOKYO, December 17th.

This morning Sir Roderick Jones was given an audience by the Regent who was most interested and enquired regarding various matters. Sir R. Jones will be the guest of Prince Tokugawa, Baron Ijima, the British Society, Press Associations and others. During the week end he will be the guest, at Nikko, of Count Kabayama, president of the Anglo-Japanese Hydro-Electric Co.

JAPANESE COAL MINE DISASTER.

TOKYO, December 17th.

Due to collapse this morning within a coal mine at Kamaya in the Fukushima Prefecture, thirty miners were entombed. Owing to gas rescue work was difficult and it is feared that all attempts at rescue will be hopeless.

CHINESE CRIMINALS IN SINGAPORE.

SINGAPORE, December 17th.

Following a period of crimes of violence and extortion by Chinese, mostly aliens, against other Chinese, the Legislature has passed an Ordinance containing stringent penalties, including the "cat," and the measures being taken include a general search for arms in the streets.

[BY COURTESY OF THE "DAILY BULLETIN"]

FINANCE MINISTER'S RESIGNATION.

PEKING, December 17th.

President Tiao Kun, last evening, returned Wang Keh-ming's resignation, with instructions that the latter carry on his duties as Minister of Finance, which he has so ably conducted during his brief term of office.

It is stated to-day that Wang Keh-ming has not decided upon retaining his portfolio, and that he will require some guarantee that in future he will not be subjected to further outrages similar to that committed by Chow Yu-keh on Saturday.

Meanwhile, General Lu Chin, who was delegated by the President to effect a reconciliation, suggests that Chow Yu-keh should tender an apology, and that the President issue a Chingling mandarin rejecting Wang Keh-ming's resignation.

It is not expected that Wang Keh-ming will attend the meeting of the Senate this afternoon to demand that Chow Yu-keh be reprimanded.

GOLD FRANC QUESTION.

PEKING, December 17th.

The members of the Administrative Commission in the Senate called on President Tiao Kun this morning to urge him to sign the documents in connection with the settlement of the gold franc issue. They retired, apparently satisfied with the assurance given them.

LOYAL WARSHIP'S ANCHORAGE.

PEKING, December 17th.

The Government have assigned *Tungfoo* as an anchorage to the loyal warships which have defected from Canton and are now proceeding to the North.

SHANGHAI HARBOUR IMPROVEMENTS.

DIPLOMATIC CORPS' DECISIONS.

The Diplomatic Corps, which has been discussing the various proposals for the improvement of the harbour at Shanghai is stated to have reached a decision to the following effect:

1. In order to cover the funds required for the proposed reconstruction of the Shanghai Harbour, the rating surtax on the Customs tariff of the Harbour, shall be increased to 8 per cent. from 3 per cent. at present.
2. The land used as sites for the warehouses on the wharfs on both sides of the River as necessary for the accomplishment of the plan shall not be forcibly acquired by the Corps Diplomatique, but will be sold and purchased by mutual agreement between the parties concerned.
3. The proposal for undertaking the reconstruction of the Harbour is definitely approved.

These decisions will formally be communicated to the Chinese Government as desiderata by the Corps Diplomatique. A Note is being drawn up for this purpose, and on approval by the Corps Diplomatique, will be duly sent forward to the Waichiaopu probably by the end of this year at the latest.

The decision, as it was reached, has brought big modifications on the original proposal. Among other points, the original proposal has undergone modifications with regard to the rate of the surtax to be increased and the mode of the purchase of the necessary land. The original proposal put the rate at 10 per cent., whereas it has been settled at 8 per cent., and whereas the original proposal suggested an expropriation of the land needed it has been amended so as to see the purchase undertaken by mutual agreements by the parties interested, these modifications being principally in the line of the Japanese proposals.

Whether this decision on the part of the Corps Diplomatique will prompt the Chinese Government to undertake the reconstruction of the Shanghai Harbour is to be seen later. It is regarded as doubtful whether the Chinese Government will accept this proposal in the form presented.

JAPANESE CONSULATES IN CHINA.

THE RECENT APPOINTMENT OF JUDGE-CONSULS.

The following telegram has been circulated by the *Nihon Denpo*:

"The recent appointment by several Japanese Consulates in China, of a Consul in exclusive charge of judicial affairs, seems to have evoked a considerable amount of hostility in certain sections of the Chinese people on the ground that the innovation slightly runs counter to the spirit of the Washington Conference, which decided the abolition of extraterritoriality in China."

In this connection, Mr. Yoda, Japanese Consul-General at Shanghai, made the following statement to local Press representatives last week:

"The manner in which judicial affairs have hitherto been attended to in Japanese Consulates in China has always been a source of constant complaint on the part of Japanese residents, because of the slowness of action and unsatisfactory results in some cases, which is inevitable so long as the task is shouldered on ordinary Vice-Consul along with his usual duties."

The matter had long engaged the attention of the Home Government, but, so far, it had been unable to do anything concrete in the way of reform or improvement under various circumstances.

"In view of the growing necessity of such reform, the Government has finally decided to appoint young specialist lawyers from among able judges of Home Courts to come to take up charge of judicial affairs in Japanese Consulates in China."

These judge-consuls are stationed at such places as Shanghai, Tientsin, and Fengtien, where the number of Japanese residents is so great that judicial troubles inevitably flourish.

"By the appointment of such a special Consul with sufficient knowledge and experience, legal procedure which has hitherto been conducted by a Vice-Consul in addition to his main duties, may hereafter be much facilitated in execution."

The result is that not only Japanese, but Chinese people also are much benefited in bringing law suits against Japanese subjects.

It must be borne in mind that the Judge-Consul forms an integral member of the Consulate to which he is attached and therefore there is no difference in the treatment of him compared with ordinary Consuls and other Consular members.

"It is a matter of great regret should anyone entertain such a great misunderstanding as to think that the Japanese Government has created a Judicial Consulate independent of ordinary Consulates in China."

JUDGE ON JURY SERVICE.

Opening the Liverpool Assizes on Nov. 6th Mr. Justice Salter informed the Grand Jury that a protest had been made by certain citizens summoned to sit on petty juries that their expenses were paid by the State. The public duty of serving on juries was of the greatest importance and it was no small thing to be permitted to take part in the public administration of justice, and, except payment of taxes and fighting in war time, service on juries was the only public service a British citizen was called upon to discharge. It was a privilege and a benefit of the State. It was a privilege which our ancestors had fought hard for, and those jurymen should consider carefully before demanding payment, even out-of-pocket expenses. The matter would be considered in the proper place.

CHINA'S MOST EFFICIENT MILITARY UNIT.

UNSTINTED PRAISE BY FOREIGN ARMY OFFICERS.

At the invitation of General Munthe, Commanding the Pao An Tui, an interesting inspection was made on December 17th of the Third Company of Peking's crack Chinese Legion Guard by Colonel S. Cheney, U.S.A. Military Attache of the American Legation, Lieut. Colonel J. H. Barnard, Assistant Military Attache, and Captain Roque, Assistant Military Attache of the French Legation.

General Munthe played the role of host, and explained that the inspection was a regular affair each morning, in order that the foreign military officers might have an opportunity of seeing the men go through their daily drills and exercises. Upon arrival at the barracks the officers were introduced to Colonel Chang Ting-shih, who commands the organization. Colonel Chang is one of the ablest officers in the Chinese Army, and the neat military appearance of the men under his command, together with their smart bearing, is ample testimony of his able discipline and exemplary deportment.

Three platoons, comprising 123 men in all, went through a series of close formation drills with an excellence of precision that would have delighted the heart of the most exacting drill sergeant. It has been the writer's good fortune to see many and varied bodies of Chinese troops drill, and it is safe to say without exaggeration or without fear of contradiction that the Third Company of the Pao An Tui far surpassed any other Chinese unit. This layman's viewpoint was later borne out by Colonel Cheney after he had inspected the men's quarters, mess rooms, equipment halls, bath rooms, latrines, etc., stating that it was not only one of the cleanest but one of the best organized barracks he had visited in China, and that the excellence of the troop's drill was exemplary. Colonel Cheney's unstinted praise was concurred in by both Lieut. Colonel Barnard and Captain Roque.

The inspection conducted by the foreign officers was by no means a cursory one. Rifles, uniforms, and personal appearance were all examined in detail, and not a single adverse criticism was suggested. Not only were the mess halls and living quarters spotless and free from dust, but the equipment halls and store rooms were arranged with a military exactness that was delightfully surprising.

Despite the fact that Pao An Tui is admittedly one of the best military organizations in China it was learned that the Government was nearly eight months in arrears in the men's pay, while the officers have received no compensation from the Government for the past year. A system of temporary credits for supplies had had to be arranged which is most unfortunate, since the Central Government should make suitable arrangements for immediate payment of arrears. This picked body of troops, whose responsibilities for maintaining order in the capital are so great. It is to be hoped that suitable financial arrangements can be made in the very near future in order that the Pao An Tui may not only receive their arrears immediately, but also that the five company buglers may have an opportunity of sounding "Pay Call" regularly on the first of every month.

[Far Eastern Times.]

CHINA TEA SEASON.

The current number of the "Board of Trade Journal" quotes an interesting article on the China tea season. The increased exportation of China tea, which may reach this season 27,000,000lb, is due to the fact, it is stated, that Indian and Ceylon crops have not come up to expectations, and also to the greater demand for black teas from markets which have previously been content with small quantities. An opportunity has thus been presented to the China tea-growers, but it is doubtful whether it has been fully appreciated that careful cultivation and preparation are necessary. Dealing with larger quantities taken by various countries, this article draws attention to the fact that Russia, which in 1915-16 absorbed almost 75 per cent. of the China crop, is now practically a closed market, but one which is sure to revive given tranquillity. The opportunity given to China in other markets is therefore particularly bright. In 1915-16 the United Kingdom took roughly 10,500,000lb. of black tea from China, while this year she had already imported about 8,500,000lb. The same may be said of the United States, which in 1915-16 absorbed approximately 6,000,000lb. of the black tea crop, while this year her imports exceed 5,500,000lb. The Continent of Europe, which did much of its buying through London, is gradually taking up direct trade. In 1915-16 the Continent took 250,000lb.; this year it has taken 2,000,000lb. The shortage of Indian and Ceylon crops has strengthened the London market; prices ruling are much higher than they were in 1915-16, and there is every reason to believe they will be maintained. The continuance of high prices for Indian and Ceylon teas may therefore be expected to induce a more extensive cultivation of tea in China.

SAYINGS OF A WEEK.

Nobody really loves or respects a courtier.—*Mr. H. G. Wells.*

No one has ever seen or handled a vitamin.—*Dr. William Sweeney.*

Cigarettes are nasty things. You take to a pipe and stick to it.—*Mr. Baldwin.*

I have myself groaned throughout a lifetime under the cruel brand of an under-graduate jibe.—*Lord Curzon.*

The cement trade has not as a whole adopted a policy of propaganda to educate the potential consumer in the uses of cement.—*Mr. G. A. Watson (Chairman, Ship Canal Portland Cement Company).*



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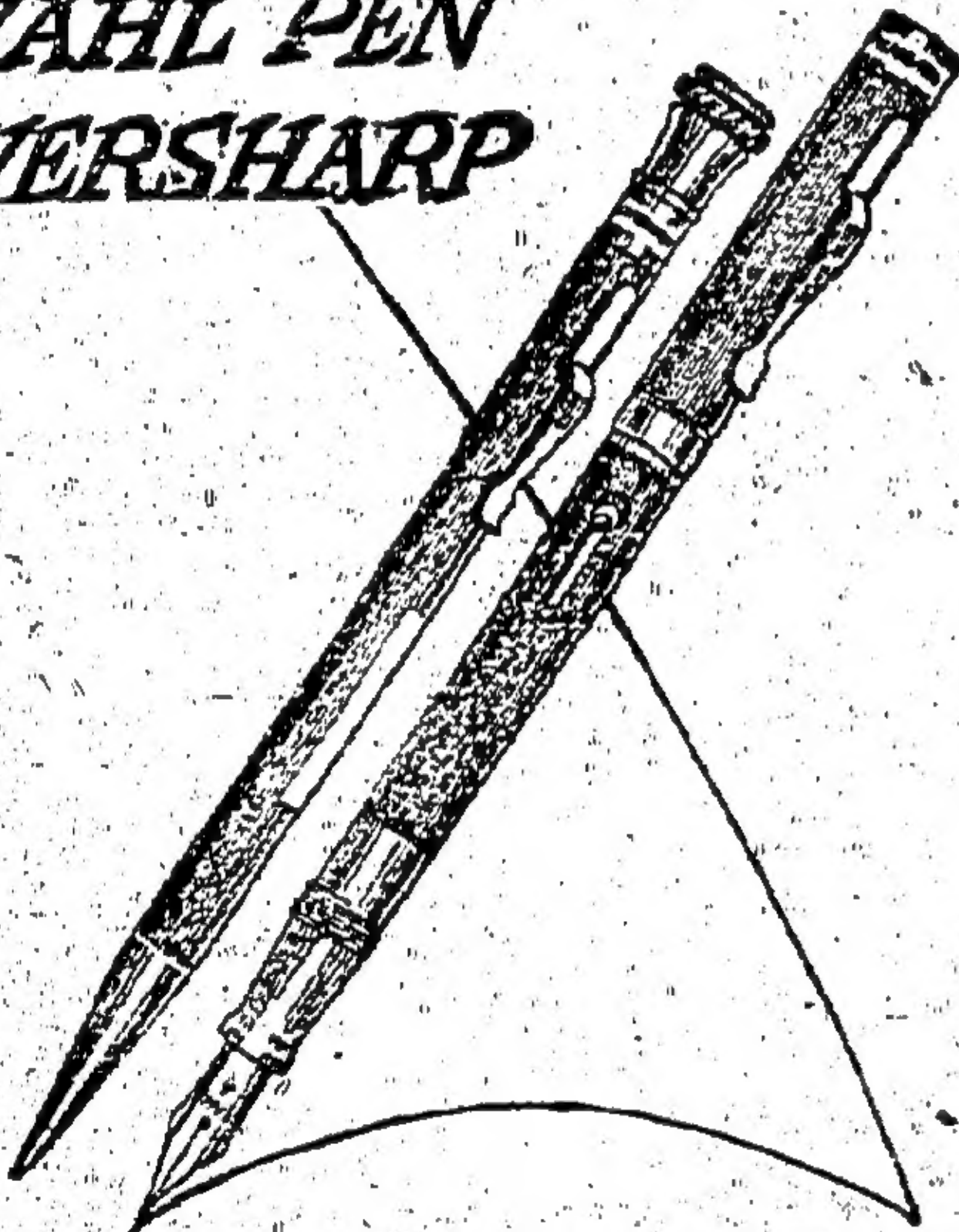
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CHOCOLATES AND BOUQUETS

There are many "reminiscences" of Mr. George Edwards, the Gaiety's famous "Guvnor," to whom Mr. Jupp brought an introduction from India on leaving the Army in 1892.

I have been stage-doorkeeper of the Gaiety for 30 years. I suppose I have taken round to stars and chorus-girls more chocolates, bouquets, and presents from admirers than have all the other stage-doorkeepers in Great Britain. I was the connecting link between the patron and the players who made the Gaiety.

"There is no such thing," Mr. Jupp says, "and never was such a thing, in any well-conducted theatre," as being able to go round to the back of the stage by the "mere passing of a coin." The Gaiety was conducted on the lines of the most rigid institution. . . . Even Lord Rothschild and his brother Alfred, who rented the royal box by the year, never went behind without permission.

At a voice trial "it is possible," Mr. Jupp observes indulgently, "for almost anyone to pass my door without a challenge."

"ABIDE WITH ME"

Occasionally these auditions are rather pathetic.

There was one woman who had come in with the others, and whom I had admitted because I thought she was acting as chaperon to one of her grand-daughters. She had no music with her and was quite alone. She had a fairly thick veil on, but on close inspection the grey hairs were distinctly visible, and when she sang "Next, please," rang out, she stepped forward and, standing in front of Mr. Edwards, sang the hymn "Abide with Me."

MR. JUPP CONTINUES:

Now, even in our long and varied experience, we had never come across anything like this before, but I have never seen the "Guvnor" behave in a more courteous manner. He had a long chat with her. . . . I know she went away with a piece of clean paper she had not possessed previously.

"I come to Show Girls," are the opening words of one of Mr. Jupp's interesting chapters.

They are chosen not only on account of their figures, height, and beauty—necessary attributes, it is true—but chiefly on account of their drawing power. Brains are not asked for; the most important question is: How many stalla and boxes can she fill, with whom is she well acquainted? If she is a woman of great personal attraction, she is certain of a position.

The most expensive fur coat presented to a Gaiety girl that Mr. Jupp mentions cost 3,000 guineas, and that was a long time ago.

GAY DESIRS

But of all the women on or off the stage who have been famous for jewellery, no one has surpassed Miss Gay Desirs. She had amassed a fortune.

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"Well, if you really want to know the truth sir, to be quite frank with you, you are drunk." The man looked very indignant for a brief moment, and then burst into loud laughter. "Drunk! Why, of course I'm drunk, you silly ass! Do you think I should want to see your rotten show if I were sober?"

OFFER TO STREET SINGERS

George Edwards heard a young man singing in the street and, struck by the beautiful quality of his voice, said: "Jupp, go out, will you, and tell that young man I would like to speak to him." "The Guvnor" offered to have him trained, provide all his expenses, and give him £5 a week during the time he was studying, and then give him a contract.

The young man's reply was: "Do you know that I make in as much as £50 a week at this game? Sometimes more, and I run my own book: I sing when and where I like, and not at all if I don't feel in the mood. Study! No study! No, thank!"

That happened many years ago, Mr. Jupp says, "but that man still sings about the West End of London, chiefly at street corners where there is a public-house."

Poincaré is the maker of modern Germany—Mr. G. H. Shakespeare, M.P.

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Few people have the pluck to sit in a third-class carriage and read the Bible—Mr. Drinkwater.

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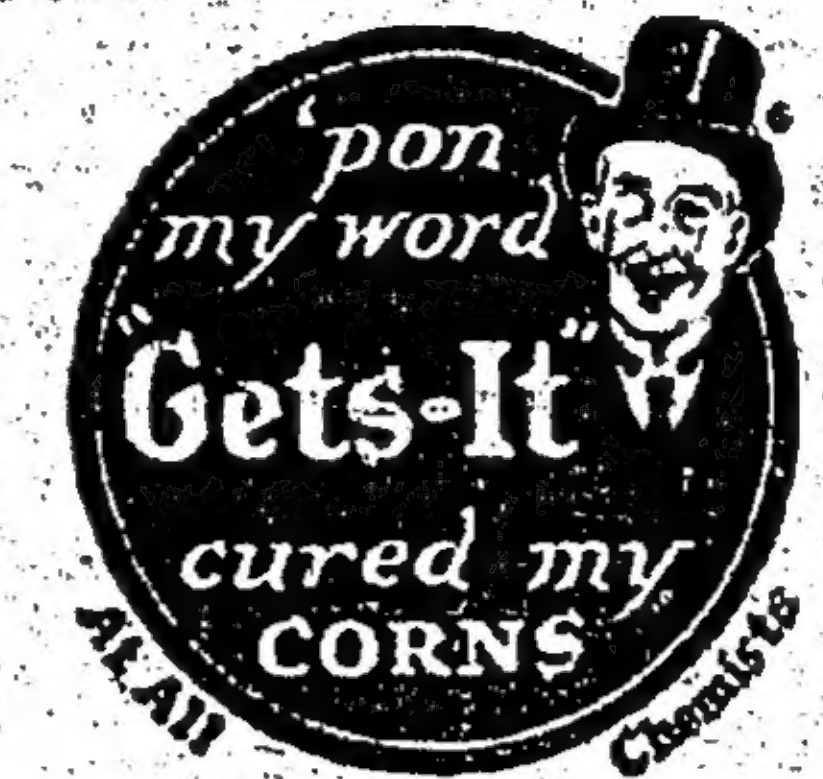
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Film also holds food substance which ferments and forms acid. It holds the acid

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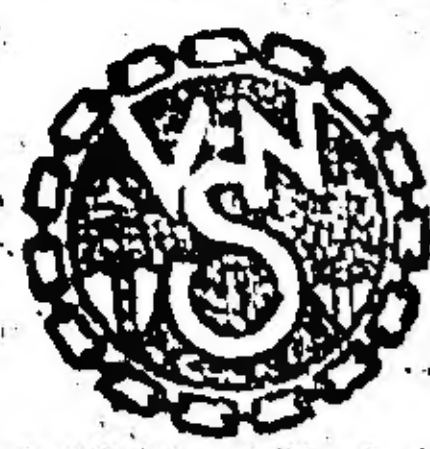
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MR. ASQUITH AND THE PREMIER

"SHORT-SIGHTED EXPERIMENTS."

Mr. Asquith replied at Dewsbury on November 25th to the tariff proposals of the Government as outlined by the Prime Minister.

Mr. Asquith said they were met under conditions unexampled in his political experience. It was less than twelve months since the country was convulsed at the polls, and returned for the first time for twenty years a purely Tory Government to power. Its watchword was to be tranquillity; there was to be an end of the era of alarms and excursions; no rash adventures, no controversial innovations; no forcing of the pace, but a quiet, steady, even jog-trot along the old highway.

In particular, a solemn pledge, to which most of the members of the present Government were parties, was given by the then Prime Minister, that there should be no tampering with the fundamental principles of our long-established fiscal system.

UNEMPLOYMENT AND TARIFFS.

So far as one could gather, the new policy had two avowed objects, first, to fight unemployment at home; secondly, to develop and cement the unity of the Empire. He would deal briefly with the first of these proposals, reserving the second for a later speech, only asserting that Imperial Preference, which did not extend either to food or to raw materials, was nothing but a hollow sham. As to the policy of killing unemployment by import duties, the first question was: What evidence was there for the proposition, which was never suggested or even hinted at in any of our six months ago, that a main, if not the principal, cause of unemployment was our import of overseas goods? What were the facts? In 1913 unemployment had reached its minimum (2 per cent.). For the last three years it had been over 13 per cent. But what were the comparative figures of our import trade? Our imports were very substantially greater in 1913 than they were in any of the last three years, on the basis of pre-war prices. This was true of our imports as a whole, and most strikingly of our imports of manufactures. But the matter did not rest there. An analysis had been made for him of the proportion of the total unemployment which belonged to the industries that could be helped by the new tariff. The total of unemployed was roughly 1,340,000. The number of those who belonged to the trades in question was not greater than 140,000. The trades which were most depressed, to which the great majority of the unemployed belonged—shipbuilding, engineering, cotton, not to mention transportation and distribution, were of a kind that no tariff could help. So, this new weapon, which Mr. Baldwin declared at Plymouth was the only way of fighting unemployment, would under present conditions give no relief to some 90 per cent. of the whole.

The whole case might be summed up in two single propositions. First, imports were less than they were, while unemployment was deplorably greater. Secondly, the vast mass of unemployment was to be found, not in the trades which the new duties would protect, but in those which would be altogether beyond its scope. What was the real cause of the growth in unemployment? The real cause was that the total trade of the world had shrunk. Europe was unable to buy on the old scale, and the volume of exports had declined. We who depended more than any other country on our export trade had been on that side the hardest hit; and that was the main reason why so many of our people were unemployed. Protection in either of the forms now suggested would still further hamper and handicap our export trade. The remedy was to restore the productive capacity and the exchange power of the world. That was the opinion of Mr. Baldwin himself as lately as three months ago. There was no other road, and they were simply walking into a blind alley if they allowed themselves to be misled by these half-hearted, short-sighted, lopsided experiments in Protection.

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A great change has come over the electrical industry; we have entered the era of big things. As to capital, we are dealing nowadays in millions instead of in thousands, as before the war.—Sir Harry Tennant, K.B.E.



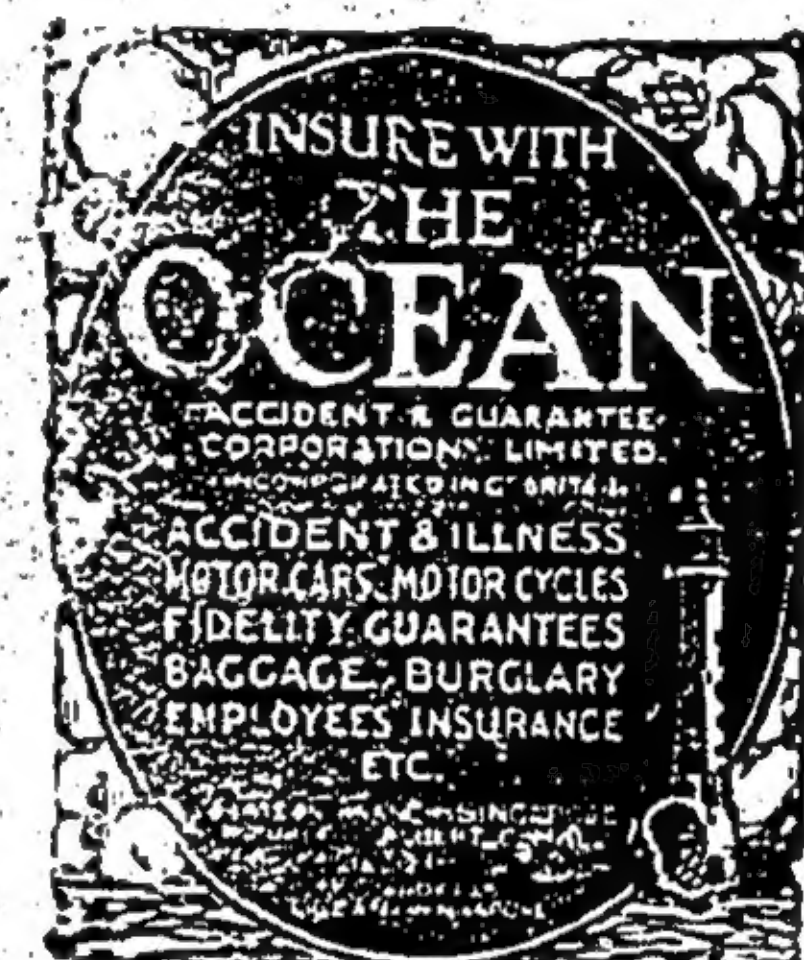
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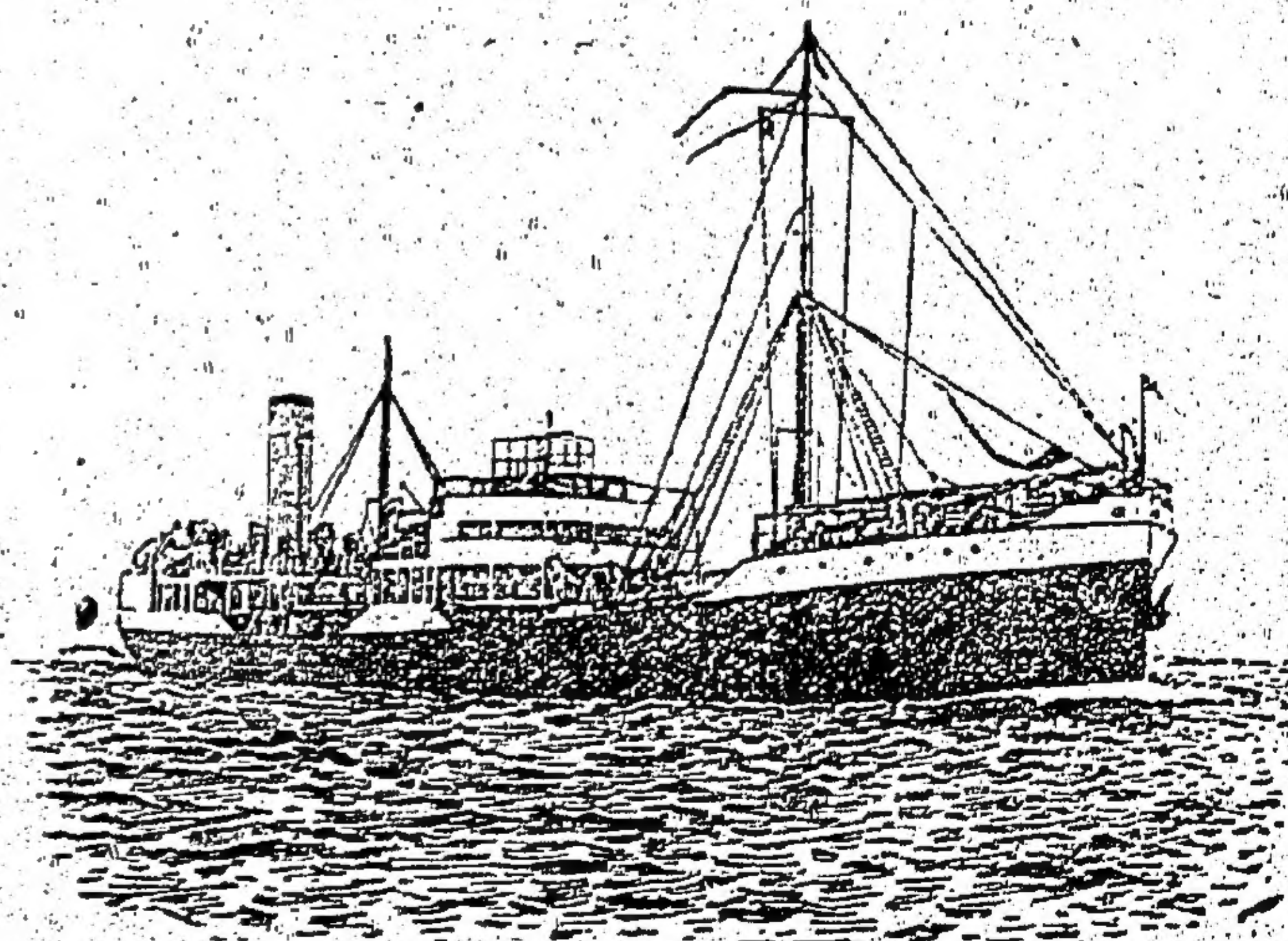
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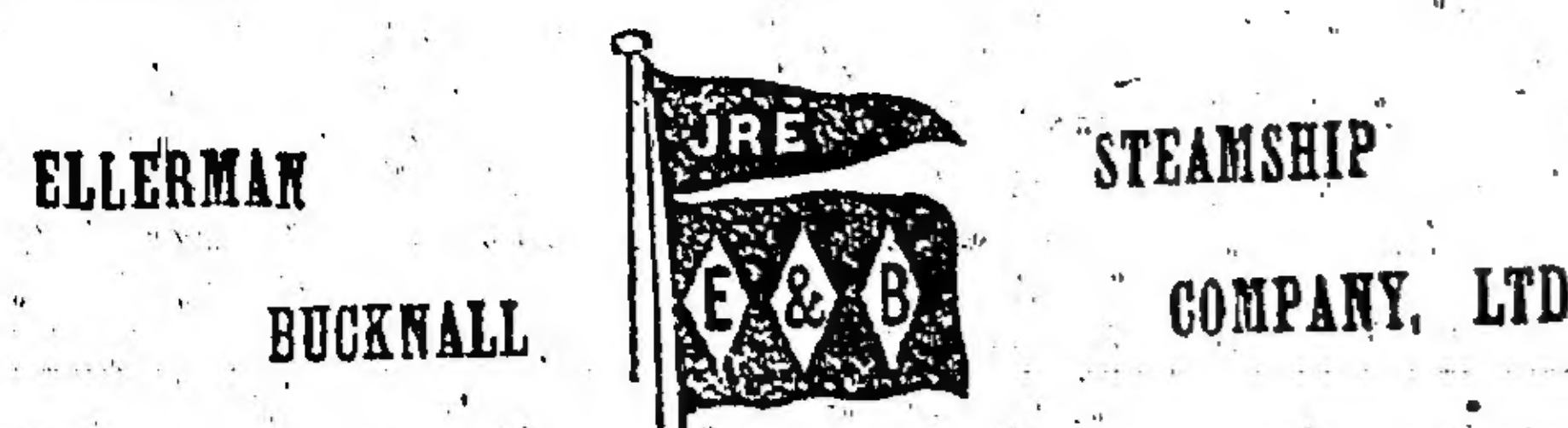
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"KHIVA"	8,097	12th Jan.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"SICILIA"	8,813	19th Jan.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MACEDONIA"	11,988	26th Jan.	B'way, Mars, London & Antwerp.
"KASHGAR"	8,840	9th Feb.	Mars, L'don & A'werp.
"SOUDEAN"	8,888	13th Feb.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MORAN"	10,811	23rd Feb.	B'way, Mars, London & Antwerp.
"KARNATA"	8,088	8th March	Mars, London & Antwerp.
"NADDERA"	15,893	22nd March	B'way, Mars, L'don & A'werp.
"SICILIA"	8,813	28th March	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"KHYBER"	8,014	5th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"CHINA"	7,952	19th April	do.
"SOUDEAN"	6,696	26th April	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"KALYAN"	8,118	3rd May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"KASHMIR"	8,880	17th May	do.
"KHIVA"	8,097	31st May	do.

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"TAKADA"	6,949	27th Dec.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TORILLA"	5,205	22nd Jan.	do.
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"KARNATA"	8,088	26th Jan.	do.
"SOUDEAN"	8,888	1st Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"EASTERN"	4,000	2nd Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"NADDERA"	15,893	9th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
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"HAMBURG MARU" ... End of Jan.

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"AMAKUSA MARU" ... Sunday, 23rd Dec., 10 a.m.

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MANILA	"TEAN"	On 19th Dec., 4 p.m.
NINGPO & CHINKIANG	"CHINKIANG"	On 19th Dec., 4 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SOOCHOW"	On 20th Dec., 10 a.m.
AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KAYING"	On 21st Dec., D.L.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SINKIANG"	On 22nd Dec., D.L.
JAVA	"TAIKOOOWAN"	On 22nd Dec., D.L.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & PUKOW	"LIANGCHOW"	On 23rd Dec., 10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KIANGSU"	On 24th Dec., Noon.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"SECHUEN"	On 25th Dec., D.L.
MANILA	"TAMING"	On 26th Dec., 4 p.m.
HAIPHONG	"YUNNAN"	On 27th Dec., 10 a.m.
HOIHOW & SINGAPORE	"CHINHUA"	On 27th Dec., 10 a.m.
AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KINYOYUAN"	On 28th Dec., D.L.
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